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SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ALEX. SUEZ,
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSEILLE, LONDON,
HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA;

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Hongkong, June 12, 1895. 1094

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Hongkong, June 17, 1895. 215

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Destination	Vessels	Agents	Date to Lease
Bilbao, Cadiz & L'pool	Barcelona (s)	Villa, Lopez & Co., Norddeuts. Lloyd	Quick despatch.
Barcelona & Ports of Gal	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	June 24, at 3 p.m.
Chesoo and Tientsin	Tsien (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	June 25, at 6 p.m.
Hamburg and London	Turbo (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	June 26.
Hoilo	Continental (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	June 21, at noon.
Japan	Varso (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About June 21.
Kobé and Yokohama	Queen Victoria (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	About June 23.
London	Polyphemus (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	About June 20.
London & Ports of Call	Gibraltar (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	July 4, at noon.
London & Ports of Call	Pakia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 10.
London, v. Singap.	Ching (s)	Holiday, Wise & Co.	About June 21.
London and Hamburg	Java (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	About July 5.
London	Zefiro (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 26.
Manila	Oceanian (s)	Shewan & Co.	June 22, at 6 p.m.
Muss Illo, v. Saito	Kongnang (s)	Moessner & Maritime	June 20, at noon.
Nagasaki	Butterfield & Swire	Butterfield & Swire	June 27.
Nagasaki, Kobs & Friend	Radnorshire (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	June 23.
New York	Scaria (s)	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	Adolph (s)	Shewan & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	George F. Mason	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	Boisement	Carlwick & Co., Arnold, Karr & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	Foching Suay	Siemens & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York	Siam (s)	Siemens & Co.	Quick despatch.
Port Darwin, &c.	Butterfield & Swire	Butterfield & Swire	June 27.
Porto Seguro, v. Rio	Adolph (s)	Pacific M. & S. S. Co.	June 28, at noon.
S. Francisco	B. I. C. (s)	Pacific M. & S. S. Co.	July 20, at noon.
S. Francisco	Giant (s)	Pacific M. & S. S. Co.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco	Lymhurst (s)	Pacific M. & S. S. Co.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco	Alcedo (s)	Pacific M. & S. S. Co.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco	Shing (s)	Pacific M. & S. S. Co.	June 21, daylight.
Shanghai	Adour (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 1.
Shanghai	Itos (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	About June 26.
Shanghai	Trysil (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	About July 25.
Shanghai, Kobs & Friend	Pathos (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	June 28, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobs & Friend	Lawang (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	June 25, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobs & Friend	Dahurian Appear (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	June 22, at noon.
Shanghai, Kobs & Friend	Halibut (s)	Douglas Lyle & Co., Empress of India (s)	Janianian P. & R. Co.
Shanghai, Kobs & Friend	Vasco (s) (B.O.)	Douglas Lyle & Co., Empress of India (s)	June 25, at noon.
Shanghai, Kobs & Friend	Endavado (s)	Douglas Lyle & Co., Empress of India (s)	June 22, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama, Kobs & Friend	Helen (s)	Dowdell, Carrill & Co.	

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Ceylon leaves for Shanghai.

Noon.—Verona leaves for Japan.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

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date subject to return.

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W. ROBINSON and Co. make a special feature of Selling Pips and Oregan on the Easy-Payment system.

GOVERNMENT notification is made that the water will be shut off in the City between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., until further notice.

THE authorities at Canton are now effecting retractions in the service, says the *Chinese Mail* (*Wah Tsu Yat Po*). More than one half of the staff of the Canton Mint has to be dispensed with as superfluous, and this will be the case with all the local offices, whilst a salt revenue office is to be abolished altogether.

THE following are the statistics of cases of plague from June 14th to noon this day:—

No. of cases reported 10

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There has been one death during the past 24 hours. No new case has been reported. The total number of deaths from plague since the 20th of April, the day on which the first case was reported, is thirteen.

About five o'clock this morning an engineer of H.M.S. *Lionet*, sleeping in the Naval Yard quarters, awoke and found a Chinese boy helping himself to some money on the dressing table, belonging to Mr. W. S. Frowd, of the Naval Yard. The boy was promptly arrested and handed over to the police, to whom he described himself as a schoolboy, though he had formerly been a servant in Mr. Frowd's employ. He was sentenced by the Magistrate to 14 days' imprisonment and 10 strokes.

TO-DAY being the fifty-seventh anniversary of the day on which Queen Victoria ascended the throne, royal salutes were fired from Murray Battery, H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel*, the German cruiser *Prinzess Wilhelmmina*, the Spanish cruiser *Reina Christina* (at Kowloon), and the French gunboat *Lutin*. The royal standard was hoisted over the Government buildings, and several ships were decorated, a notable exception being the Royal mail steamer *Ravena*. The same Company's steamer *Verona*, however, was very gay. There were the usual official receptions and formal calls.

An Englishman who had recently been admiring the scenery on the other side of St. George's Channel, tells a correspondent of a Manchester paper, a good story of Hibernian repartees. The visitor and his guide were in a hilly district in the south of Ireland, and the guide, pointing to a high hill, said that it was known locally by the name of 'The Devil's Table.' Another, and less lofty hill close by, was known, he said, as 'The Devil's Chair.' 'Indeed,' remarked the Englishman, 'the Devil seems to have a good deal of property in these parts.' 'Yes sir,' rejoined the Irishman, 'but he is an absent landlord, and he lives in England.'

Cases of cholera symptoms are reported in different parts of the town; and, since Sunday, no less than eight such cases have been admitted to the Pauper Hospital, says the *Shanty Times*. The authorities are grappling with the disease which cannot be said to have become epidemic, but which might certainly become so were it not for prompt remedial measures. There is, however, no cause for alarm, because just at this time of the year stomachic complaints are not altogether unexpected from a variety of causes. The year 1894 was marked for the absence of any more than the ordinary number of cases of cholera, but in the year before that about this time, there was a good deal of it about.

In considering the immediate future of China we have to remember that the war has taught nothing to the mass of the officials; that the Viceroy, who knows that China is not and has never been a nation of the world as the result of political reform; but that while there are those both in higher and lower stations who understand the requirements of the present time, the practical independence of the provinces makes reform and uniform and centralized government impossible. The provincial officials have not felt the direct effects of the war, and they do not understand one very important thing. Foreign Powers before last year accepted very inadequate reparation for outrages because they had a belief in latent strength of China and were unwilling to push their demands to the bitter end. They know better now, and they, it is to be hoped, will make no demands of which they will not exact the fulfilment to the letter. This must end before very long in the disruption of China, unless—and the unexpected sometimes happens—China begins to reform herself in time. The construction of new railways, accepted by officials as another means of lining their own pockets, and the conclusion with the same motive of new contracts for men-of-war and munitions, will not regenerate China.—*N. C. Daily Mail*.

In view of the anti-missionary riots at Chengtu and neighbourhood, it is interesting to read the following paragraph in the *London Daily News* of the 14th May:—It is pleasing to find that someone is able to put in a word in favour of our old friend John Chinaman, and to insist that, like some other prominent persons, he is not so black as he has been painted. When the war with Japan broke out grave anxiety was felt regarding the safety in that time of popular excitement of the Protestant and Roman Catholic missionaries who are scattered all over China, and believed to number between two and three thousand. Undoubtedly the national antipathy to foreigners gave just ground for alarm, while the reported lawlessness of the Chinese soldiers indicated another source of danger, especially in view of the feeble resources which local mandarins possess for enforcing authority. The same riot, happily, however, as the *Times* pointed out, those whom foreign missions have received but little suffering. The widow murder of Mr. Wyllie at Liangyang was a bad beginning; but it seems to have been an isolated fact. The Janissary referred to Mr. Owen in Peking and the disturbance at the missionary quarters in Peking were also ominous exhibitions of feeling; but on the whole little harm has been done, and even the Chinese public have refrained from molesting foreign residents.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Fourteen members were present Saturday to compete for the Long Range Cup, which was won by Private Ratty, R.B. The Spoons were won by Corporal Woodridge, R.B., Private Geddes, R.B., and Mr. Duncan. The following were the best scores:—

	1000 yds.	800 yds.	600 yds.	400 yds.	200 yds.	100 yds.
Private Ratty, R.B.	42	4	79			
Corporal Woodridge	46	38	74			
Private Geddes, R.B.	46	38	74			
Mr. W. Duncan	25	39	63			
Corporal Clarke, R.B.	24	39	60			
Mr. D. S.	23	31	60			

THE SANITARY BOARD.

The ordinary fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. The Hon. F. A. Cooper, Director of Public Works, presided, and there were also present Surgeon-Captain Westcott, Dr. J. A. Lowson (Acting Colonial Surgeon), Gcox. W. C. H. Hastings (Acting Captain Superintendent of Police), Mr. H. McCallum (Secretary) and Mr. E. A. Ram (Assistant Sanitary Surveyor).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and passed.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE IN MACAO.

The returns of deaths from bubonic plague in Macao, as reported by the British Vice-Consul there, were:—

May 28th, noon, to	May 29th, noon	18
May 30th	16	
May 31st	21	
June 1st	10	
2nd	20	
3rd	15	
4th	11	
5th	11	
6th	14	
7th	14	
8th	18	
9th	16	
10th	7	
11th	6	
12th	7	
13th	6	
14th	5	
15th	4	
16th	12	
17th	5	
Total, 234		

BUBONIC PLAGUE AT SWATOW.

The following letter, forwarded through the usual channels, was read:—

Swatow, June 4.

Sir.—I am pleased to report that the death rate from bubonic plague is much diminished. The decrease has been marked since May 25. From May 25 to June 3 I have heard of only nine deaths. I trust that it will shortly disappear entirely, as on June 1 and June 3, I heard of no fresh case and no death.

—HENRY LAYNG.—To B. O. G. Scott, Esq., H. B. M. Consul, Swatow.

HITS AT NOVA KOWLOON.

The Acting Colonial Surgeon's report and the Sanitary Surveyor's notes on the sanitary condition of dwellings at Mung-kong-tau were read. They stated that many of the dwellings were merely old sampans or junks, turned into huts, but totally unfit for habitation. The only remedy was practically complete reconstruction.

On the motion of the President, it was agreed without discussion that notice should at once be served on the owners to remove the insanitary buildings within one Chinese month.

In regard to other dwellings on which reports had been made, it was resolved to call on the owners to restrain.

SUR SURS.

In reference to a letter from Messrs. Leigh and Orange it was agreed to inform those gentlemen as to the general lines of the Board's policy on the question of slop sinks.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

For the week ending 8th June, 1895, the total deaths in the Colony numbered 85, being at the rate of 18.7 per annum per thousand of estimated population. The rate for the previous week was 18.1 and for the corresponding week of last year.

The Secretary appended the following note:—The feature of most importance in this return is the record of a death from small-pox. It is one of the cases from the Bubonic Foundation Hospital.

For the week ended the 15th June, deaths were 90, the rate per 1000 per annum 19.1, as against a rate of 16.9 for a corresponding week of last year. The Secretary noted that one death was from typhoid.

WEBS.

In regard to certain wells on which Dr. Westcott had reported, it was decided to obtain further information before taking action.

CONNAGHT HOUSE.

A letter having been sent in with reference to the difficulty of getting suitable sanitary fittings for Connaght House, the President said that this was the third, or fourth time the Board had been trying to do it for Connaght House put in order, but in view of what the letter said he thought it would not be done.

Agreed.

QUARANTINE AGAINST SWATOW NEEDLESS.

Dr. Lowson moved that, in view of the latest reports on bubonic plague at Swatow, the Government should be informed in the opinion of the Board that quarantine in Hongkong against Swatow was no longer necessary.

Agreed.

THE BOARD THEN adjourned.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']

THE PORTE AND ARMENIAN REFORMS.

The reply of the Porte to the joint note of the Powers re Armenian reforms was delivered to the various Embassies on Monday. The Porte accepts the need for reforms in principle, but the reply is rather vague and tantamount to a refusal.

THE FRENCH-EGYPTIAN COMMITTEE.

The Committee has held its first meeting, at which the President re-affirmed the programme already given, i.e., to obtain European support for the execution of Egypt by the British, and the neutrality of the Country and the basin of the Nile.

NEW GOVERNOR OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

Viscount Hampden, Unionist, has been appointed Governor of New South Wales.

THE TANTALON CASTLE AT COPENHAGEN.

The *Tantallon Castle* has arrived at Copenhagen. The Danish royalties, including the King, toasted Mr. Gladstone.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CONVERSION OF CHINA.

SIR.—The recent wanton destruction of properties belonging to the different Christian Missionary communities in Chengtu and the neighbouring towns by the idle populace of those places, with the apparent countenance of the Chinese authorities, brings forcibly to the front the question:

'Is China worth converting?' This question has occurred to me for some time, whenever news is spread that a Missionary in the interior is cast into a dungeon, his house put on fire, and his work of years destroyed by a single stroke, and little or no satisfaction got from the central authorities in Peking for the high and dead.

The first serious attack on Christians in this country was in the year 1856, when the *Arrow* was burnt, and the *Arrow* people were captured and sold into slavery.

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUEZ, PORT SAID,
NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA & MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S SPEAKERS WILL CALL
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through
Agents of Laying for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Prinz Heinrich... | Monday | June 24.
Bayern..... | Monday | July 22.
Preussen..... | Monday | August 19.
Sachsen..... | Monday | Sept. 10.
Gera..... | Monday | Oct. 14.
Prinz Heinrich... | Monday | Nov. 11.
Preussen..... | Monday | Dec. 9.
Sachsen..... | Monday | Jan. 6.
Gera..... | Monday | Feb. 3.

ON MONDAY, the 24th day of June, 1895, at 3 p.m., the Company's
S.S. PRINZ HEINRICH, Capt. Engel,
with MAIIS, PASSENGERS,
SUITCASES and CARGO, will leave this port
as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon, on SATURDAY, the 22nd June, Cargo and Specie will be received on
board until Noon, on MONDAY, the 24th
(June), and Parcels will be received (at
the Agency's Office) until Noon, on SUNDAY,
the 23rd June. Contents of Packages
are required. No Parcel Receipts will be
signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels
should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in
measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 30, 1895. 1020

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed
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Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the
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HONGKONG to LONDON, \$400.

Excellent accommodation. First class
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The Railroad travelling is second to none
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The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK
route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed
by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL
LINES.

HONGKONG to TACOMA, \$225.

Rates of Passage to other Points on
application.

Special rates allowed to members of Go-
vernment Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Evander*... | 3,847 | Tuesday | June 25.
Victoria... | 3,167 | Tuesday | July 16.
Tacoma... | 2,649 | Tuesday | Aug. 6.
Hankow... | 3,564 | Tuesday | Aug. 27.
S.S. | | Tuesday | Sept. 17.
Victoria... | 3,167 | Tuesday | Oct. 8.
Tacoma... | 2,649 | Tuesday | Oct. 29.
Hankow... | 3,594 | Tuesday | Nov. 19.

* No Passengers carried by this sailing.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
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THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND

ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Belgic (via Nagasaki),
Kobe, Inland Sea, SATURDAY, July 20,
Yokohama, Honolulu.

Coptic (via Nagasaki),
Kobe, Inland Sea, THURSDAY, Aug. 8,
Honolulu, Hon. Yokohama.

Castor (via Nagasaki),
Kobe, Inland Sea, TUESDAY, Aug. 27,
Honolulu, Hon. Yokohama.

Steamship BELGIC will be
dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO,
via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA,
YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on
SATURDAY, the 20th July, at Noon,
connection being made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this Line pass through the
INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at
HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to
break their journey at any point on route.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all trans-
Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the
principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Rates and particulars of the various routes
may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval,
Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services,
to European officials in service of China
and Japan, and to Government officials and
their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare,
embarking at San Francisco for China or
Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will
be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This
allowance does not apply to through fares
from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full, and same will be received at
the Company's Office until 3 p.m. the
day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargos
to points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the
Company's Office addressed to the
Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the
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DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, June 5, 1895. 1049

CHAN A-TONG,
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Business Office: No. 21, Gilman Street.

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via
Nagasaki, Kobe, Friday, June 28,
Inland Sea, Yokohama, Honol-
ulu, Hon. Yokohama).

TUESDAY, July 9,
Honolulu, Hon. Yokohama.

Peru (via Nagasaki, Honol-
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TUESDAY, July 20,
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